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Belck resigns from post

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EDITOR IN CHIEF

After a long summer on the ropes, Nancy Belck has resigned from her position as the chancellor of the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

"I have submitted my resignation to NU President James Milliken," Belck said in a statement sent to UNO community members Tuesday morning via the LotusNotes e-mail system. "Over the past several weeks, the constant glare from the media spotlight on UNO has redirected our focus from the important job of educating students... In the best interests of UNO, removing myself from this controversy is the most appropriate course of action."

In a Tuesday morning telephone conference, Milliken said he agreed with Belck's decision to step down.

"The chancellor called me [Monday afternoon] and offered to resign. And I accepted her offer," said Milliken. "I believe that it is [a good thing]. Just the cumulative weight of the attention over the last few weeks led to the point where she could not be an effective leader for the campus."

Saying the campus' full agenda was in need of an "effective leader," Milliken did not say Belck's resignation was an admission of wrongdoing when asked. However, he said he supported her decision.

"I think the chancellor made the right call. She was not in the position to lead the campus right now," Milliken said. "That was her assessment. I agree with that assessment."

Milliken appointed John Christensen, vice chancellor of academic affairs, to serve as interim chancellor.

Christensen said Belck's resignation was an act of dedication to the university.

"I don't know the answer to that (whether her resignation was an admission of wrongdoing)," he said. "But what I do know is that for nine years she provided very strong leadership for the campus and has had a habit of doing what is best for the campus. I think [her resignation] is another example of doing what's best for UNO."

Christensen, who has been at UNO since 1978, serving both as a professor and dean of the College of Education, said he wasn't sure if he would pursue the post permanently.

Milliken plans to begin the search for a new chancellor before the fall



photo by Jason Glenn

At her final Board of Regents meeting, former UNO Chancellor Nancy Belck speaks while UNK Chancellor Douglas Kristensen looks on. Belck resigned from her position early Tuesday morning. Students, faculty and staff were notified via e-mail.

semester ends.

"My plan is to commence a search this fall and to be in a position to have a permanent chancellor named no later than this summer so that there would be new leadership in place for the next academic year," he said.

Milliken also said Belck's resignation

would not stop the inquiry into the athletics budget and spending on the UNO campus.

"The financial review that was started in July will continue, and there will be a report to the Board of Regents as was announced by the chairman last Friday," he said.

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Interim Chancellor John Christensen speaks to members of Faculty Senate Wednesday. He informed them he plans to restore public trust that had been lost or damaged by recent events.

Christensen: "We are not broken at UNO"

SCOTT STEWART
NEWS EDITOR

UNO's interim chancellor called for progress and outlined his agenda during an address to faculty members Wednesday.

Speaking before a regular meeting of the Faculty Senate, Interim Chancellor John Christensen began by acknowledging a prevalent mood among faculty members following the resignation of Chancellor Nancy Belck on Tuesday.

Christensen praised the faculty for upholding UNO's standards of excellence during the transition period. He told the senators to expect more information about the administrative structure of the university by early next week.

"I am personally ready to stop thinking about what happened yesterday and start thinking about what's going to happen tomorrow and the next

day," he said.

Several times during his 40-minute speech, Christensen emphasized the importance of caring about the situation. He also assured the faculty that he cares deeply about the university.

"When it seemed to be darkest for me, one of the things that struck me as being important is that there was a lot of public reaction, a lot of passion in the community. Some of that translated into disgust, some into anger, some into just hand wringing concern," he said. "But the point is that if they don't care about us, that doesn't happen."

"This community cares about this institution. At the end of the day, that's the motivation we have to make it right, and I think this institution has repeatedly demonstrated to the community how much we care about it."

According to the senate's agenda, Christensen

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News You Can Use

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Mastering learning lecture today

UNO will host a seminar designed to help individuals improve academic performance. The seminar, entitled "Metacognition: The Key to Acing Chemistry Courses (and Everything Else!)" will be held from 11 a.m. to noon on Friday, Sept. 15 in room 115 of Durham Science Center.

Latino Heritage Month celebration begins Sept. 16

Latino Heritage Month activities kick off on Saturday, Sept. 16. The celebration will continue through Nov. 2. The schedule of events is as follows:

Saturday, Sept. 16

Mexico Sinfonico

7:30 p.m., Strauss Performing Arts Center

Wednesday, Sept. 20

Marimba Orquestra America

Noon to 1 p.m., Milo Bail Student Center Plaza

Tuesday, Oct. 3

"Vygotsky and Funds of Knowledge: Approaching Cultural Resources for Teaching and Learning"

4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Alumni Center, Bootstrapper Hall

Wednesday, Oct. 4

"I Love America," Lydia Ramirez's one-woman play

Noon to 1 p.m., Milo Bail Student Center, Nebraska Room

Friday, Oct. 6

OLLAS Charla Film Series: "Three Burials of Melquiades Estrada"

6 p.m., Eppley Administration Building, auditorium

Wednesday, Oct. 18

Ofrenda Workshop and Dia de los Muertos Ofrenda Installation

5 p.m., Weber Fine Arts Building, first floor

Thursday, Nov. 2

Dia de los Muertos Celebration

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Weber Fine Arts Building, first floor

Student organization hosts garage sale

The Student Social Work Organization will sponsor a garage sale on Saturday, Sept. 16. The sale will run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 6929 Seward Street in Omaha. The proceeds will benefit SSWO and the Open Door Mission. Items not sold will be donated to Goodwill.

Job fair to be held Sept. 27

Union Pacific, Walgreens, ConAgra, First National Bank of Omaha, Gallup and UPS are among the participants at the UNO fall job fair, held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 27 in the Milo Bail Student Center.

Professional interview attire is expected, and students can pre-register to attend the fair at unocoe.unomaha.edu through Friday, Sept. 22.

UNO celebrates U.S. Constitution

Constitution Day falls on Sept. 17, but UNO will be celebrating this important historical document with activities the entire week of Sept. 18 to 22.

The following events are free and open to the public:

Monday, Sept. 18

"Presidents and the Constitution: How Well Have Presidents Upheld the Constitution?"
7 p.m., University Library

Tuesday, Sept. 19

"Pushing the Limits: Your First Amendment Rights in the New Century"

11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Milo Bail Student Center, Dodge Room

Wednesday, Sept. 20

"Reading Lolita in Tehran: A Memoir in Books"

7:15 p.m., Milo Bail Student Center, Ballroom

Thursday, Sept. 21

"It is Broken but No One Wants to Fix IT: A Call for Constitutional Reform"

2:30 to 4 p.m., Milo Bail Student Center, Gallery Room

Friday, Sept. 22

"Our Constitution: A Conversation with Supreme Court Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Stephen Breyer"

2 to 4 p.m., Milo Bail Student Center, Council Room

Learn to dance like a star

Campus Recreation and Mav-Rec Wellness are hosting swing, ballroom and Latin dance lessons. Classes start Sept. 17 and take place in room 230 of HPER. This runs Sept. 17 and 24, Oct. 1 and 8. Swing lessons take place from 1 to 2 p.m., ballroom lessons from 2 to 3 p.m. and Latin lessons from 3 to 4 p.m.

Fees for activity cardholders are \$15, while non-cardholders pay \$18. Those wishing to take multiple classes should add \$5 per person per additional class.

Crime Log

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KEENA SPENCER-DOBSON
STAFF WRITER

Wednesday, Aug. 30

3:10 p.m. Staff member reported theft of university property from Eppley Administration Building. Theft occurred between 4:45 p.m., Friday, Aug. 25, and 3 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 30.

Thursday, Aug. 31

11:10 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from University Village.

Saturday, Sept. 1

7:05 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from Sapp Field House. Incident occurred between 6:05 and 7:05 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 5

1:10 p.m. Student reported theft of university property from off-campus residence. Incident occurred Friday, Sept. 1, between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 a.m.

2:15 p.m. Student reported being robbed

of personal property on property adjacent to UNO (Elmwood Drive). Incident occurred at 2 p.m.

10:13 p.m. Visitor reported the theft of personal property from bike rack outside of library. Incident occurred between 8:50 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 6

2:05 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from vehicle in Elmwood Park.

9:58 p.m. Campus Security officers responded to an emotionally distressed student at Scott Hall.

Thursday, Sept. 7

1:41 a.m. Campus Security responded to a disturbance and threatening conduct by a non-affiliated individual in Lot 12. Incident occurred at 1:41 a.m.

7:47 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from Milo Bail Student Center.

Incident occurred at 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 8

12:48 a.m. Campus Security responded to a liquor law violation at University Village. Incident occurred at 12:48 a.m.

3:55 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from the grounds of Scott Hall. Incident occurred between 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 6, and 3:55 p.m., Friday, Sept. 8.

3:55 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from the grounds of Scott Hall. Incident occurred between 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 6, and 3:55 p.m., Friday, Sept. 8.

Saturday, Sept. 9

1:03 a.m. Campus Security witnessed a liquor law violation in Lot J. The liquor was confiscated.

Monday, Sept. 11

5:10 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from grounds of University Village. Incident occurred between 9 a.m. and 5:10 p.m.

12:10 p.m. Student reported theft from the Sapp Field House. Incident occurred between 12:30 and 2:15 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 7.

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From **BELCK: Page 1**

Milliken believes Belck's resignation will be a rebuilding point for UNO's place in the community.

"I think that by Chancellor Belck's act today, resigning because of her concern for the reputation of the leadership on the campus or concern for the reputation of the university, we have begun the process of rebuilding the public's trust and confidence," he said. "I have great confidence in John Christensen; that he will ably lead the campus during this interim period and help to rebuild the public's trust and confidence, and the confidence of people on the campus."

Rebuilding public trust is high on Christensen's agenda. He plans to do so by reviewing the report authored by a commission of community leaders and led by former U.S. Sen. David Karnes and then implementing its suggestions as soon as possible.

Belck had been at UNO since 1997 and was the first woman to hold the post on NU's Omaha campus. In the nearly 10 years of her tenure, the university saw the arrival of on-campus housing and the development of the Peter Kiewit Institute.

"Beyond a doubt UNO has made enormous strides over the last decade," Milliken said. "I'm pleased that we are able to look back over the tenure of Chancellor Belck and look at a period of significant growth and accomplishment on the campus."

Belck spent a long, hot summer in the glaring light of media attention for allegedly misdirecting funds from the athletics department budget. The decision to bow out came after admitting to altering documents provided to the *Omaha World-Herald* in the paper's Sunday edition. In the report, Belck said she changed expense reports to clarify spending by herself and former

aide Jim Buck. Buck, who had served as the vice chancellor of administration, resigned from his position in August.

Christensen, who said he was unaware of the brewing controversy, discovered the financial mayhem through media reports as the public did. He said he is committed to preventing another such "financial gaff."

"We are going to create an environment where this can never happen again," he said.

The spending controversy prompted the university to pursue more vigorous efforts to monitor spending on all four NU campuses.

"As was discussed at the last Board of Regent's meeting, there have already been additional internal controls put in place to make sure that we are doing the best job we can to oversee the use of resources, both public and private," Milliken said.

Milliken is hopeful the resignation will allow the campus to return to business as usual.

"I expect there to be a widely-held view on the campus that now they can recapture the momentum that they have had; that they can focus on the important work of teaching, doing research and engaging with the community under the leadership of Interim Chancellor Christensen," he said.

While he has met with Belck since her resignation, Christensen is unsure of what her plans for the future are.

However, he is confident UNO will rebound.

"This is a great institution. We have terrific faculty. We have terrific students," Christensen said. "We will fix what needs to be fixed. The majority of what goes on UNO's campus is high quality teaching, learning. That doesn't need to change. It just needs to continue."

Maverick Voices

What do you think about the chancellor's resignation?

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NEWS EDITOR**Christine McIvor****Assistant to the Director – Honors Program**

I think it's sad for the university. I appreciate her willingness to step aside in a difficult situation, and I'm afraid that the focus on the resignation will overshadow all the good things that are going on at UNO. I'm hopeful that the resignation will allow us to move beyond that and go back to focusing on education.

Jessica Cahill
Senior – Studio Art

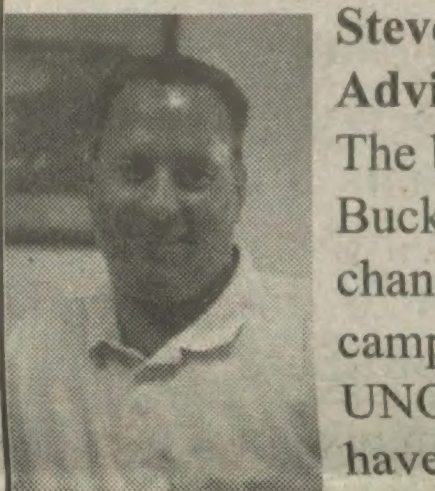
We have to pay a lot of money to go to school here, and if they are going to spend money, they should spend it wisely. I used to go to Metro and they had kind of the same situation there, with the president of Metro spending a bunch of money on things like taking people out to dinner and wine so I don't think it will have much affect.

**Joe Fogarty****Freshman – Psychology**

Given the circumstances, it's not surprising. I don't think she was enough of a presence among the students to have much of an affect on them. I think it probably will affect the faculty somewhat; some of my teachers were surprised by it.

Jonathan Benjamin-Alvarado
Associate Professor – Political Science

I think this will allow UNO collectively to move forward. Now that we've put this kind of distraction behind us, we can get down to the business that we're here to do. We don't have to be addressing the latest and greatest controversy of the day. This will be something that will enable everyone to get back to work.

**Steven Culver****Advisor – Criminal Justice**

The buck stops at the chancellor. That's kind of a pun; it was Jim Buck who was the one spending money frivolously. I agree with the chancellor's decision. The chancellor's position sets the tone at the campus for faculty and staff and students. I admire her vision for UNO and her strategic plan, but it's hard to attain either when you have this type of debacle. Even though I don't think any laws were broken, I believe it shows a lack of judgment and ethics with how this money was spent. Overall, I think she made the right decision, I like her. I do. I think she was a great leader, but as a staff member I'm very frustrated by the whole thing.

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Hula-Hoop-A-Thon makes a difference for Make-a-Wish Foundation

SALLY BROWN DESKINS
STAFF WRITER

Despite the cool, autumn weather on Tuesday morning, the spirited women of UNO's Chi Omega chapter arrived bright and early for the start of their annual "Hula-Hoop-A-Thon." The mass gyration, which was a fundraiser for the sorority's national philanthropy project to benefit The Make-A-Wish Foundation, took place outside of the Milo Bail Student Center.

Curious campus wanderers watched in question at the stage of hula hooping girls before them, complemented by music and enthusiastic voices explaining their cause over the microphone.

The result was just what the sorority aimed for in the planning of this unique event, said Chi Omega President Kate Zielinski.

"We really wanted to do something different to attract attention and encourage curiosity," she said. "Get them knowledgeable about the great cause that we are fundraising for."

Hula hooping and Make-A-Wish might seem unrelated, but in fact both are about keeping a positive mindset and enjoying life. The money raised is given to the organization to aid in the granting of children's wishes and the general management of each local chapter.

For those unfamiliar with the

organization, Make-A-Wish was founded with the goal of helping children with life-threatening illnesses see their dreams come true. More than 140,000 wishes have been granted since 1980, and one is being granted approximately every 41 minutes. Each wish granted costs, on average, about \$5,000. The wish can be as small as a party with friends and family, or as large as a trip to Walt Disney World.

In 2005, the UNO's Chi Omega "Hula-Hoop-A-Thon" event raised over \$2,500 through student and personal donations. This year the sorority hopes to break that record.

Chi Omega's charity for the organization doesn't end with the "Hula-Hoop-A-Thon." The sorority's commitment to Make-A-Wish is evident in their support through helping with decorating at homecoming, "bon voyage" parties for children being granted their wishes, attending the annual walk, as well as gift wrapping during all holidays to raise money for the organization.

"It's truly a great time to spend with sisters, as well as work for a tremendous cause," Zielinski said.

The "Hula-Hoop-A-Thon" is Chi Omega's biggest on-campus project for Make-A-Wish. Planning by the sorority's community service coordinator and committee takes about one month to organize timing, make reservations and coordinate the hula-



photo by Patrick Doty

Freshman Jessi Kooser gets a donation for Make-A-Wish Foundation from Jerry Cederblom, Chairperson of the Goodrich program and Philosophy professor.

hoopers. A sign-up and open hula hoops were available for bystanders on their way to class to join in, and many obliged.

This is the fourth year the event

was held, and updates will inform on the fundraiser's success. For more information about the Make-A-Wish Foundation, visit wish.org or contact the local chapter at 333-8999.

Twin Towers of light

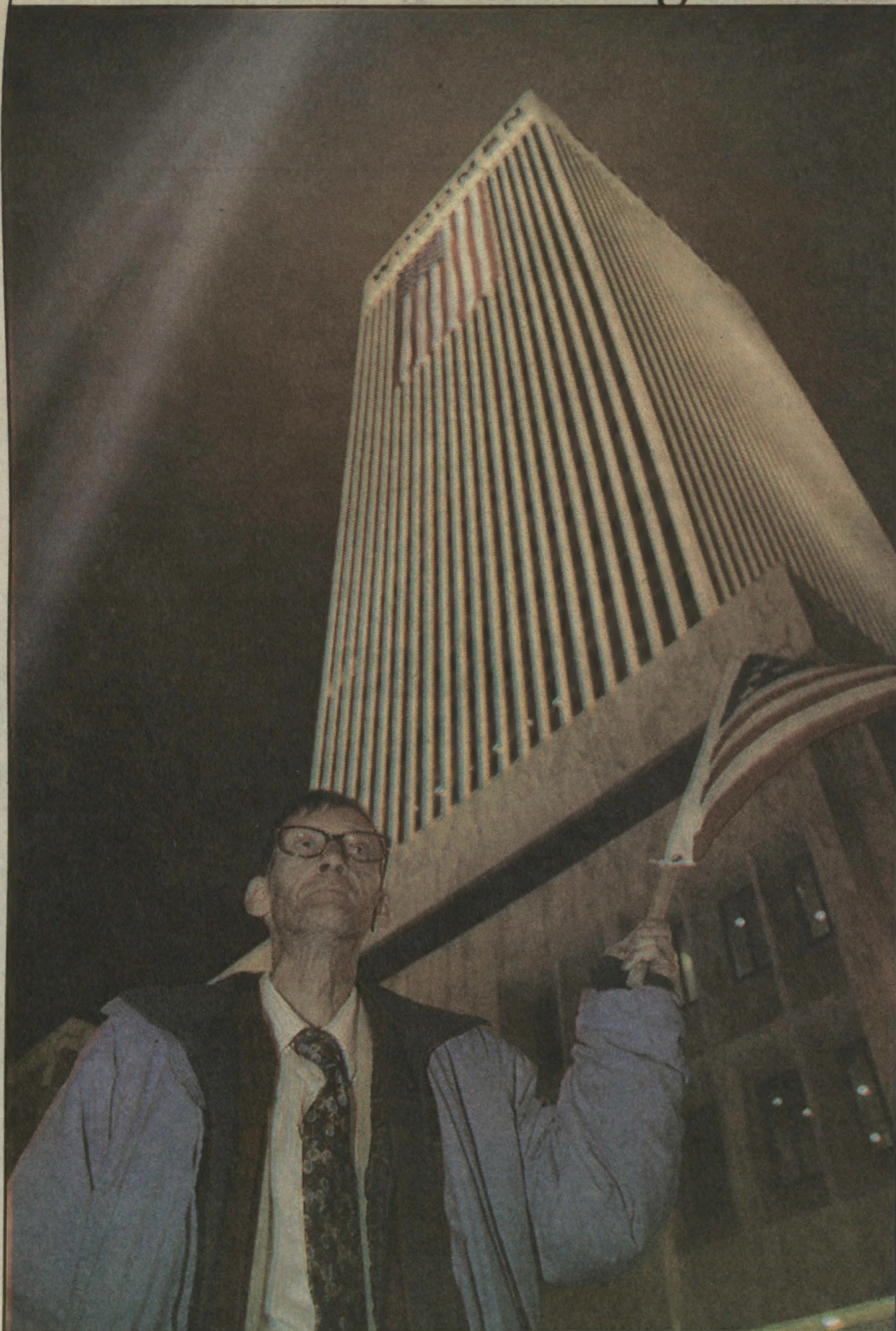


photo by Patrick Doty

The Woodman of the World presents "Tribute in Light" the week of Sept. 11. Each night two beams of light by the will illuminate downtown Omaha beginning at 9 p.m. at the Woodman Tower. Iowan Jim Tomes was celebrating his 45th birthday by waving a flag and "exercising his freedom."

UNO community remembers Sept. 11 with thoughts, prayers

BRE GEHRKEN
STAFF WRITER

Monday marked the fifth anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks that scarred a generation. That's the funny thing about scars; they never fully heal and always leave behind a reminder of the wound that was once in its place. A memorial ceremony held under the bell tower reminded UNO students why it is so important to not forget what happened.

Stacy Swan, a member of Campus Ministry at UNO, organized the campus's first Sept. 11 memorial service held on Monday. She worked with Marty Kalkowski of Catholic Campus Ministry and Fred Richard of United Christian Ministries to provide students with an outlet for their feelings regarding the attacks.

"We wanted to make this an interfaith event," Swan said.

Students who passed by were greeted with opportunities to read through Jewish, Muslim and Christian texts that provided comfort and words of inspiration. There were also stations set up in every corner of the bell tower, including a prayer basket, candles and a board for students to write their thoughts on.

At the journal station one student wrote, "I pray that people will find hope as a result of Sept. 11. During the tragedy many miracles happened."

Another read, "Remember what happened. Ask how it affected me, others, our country and the world. Hope for a better tomorrow. Help that

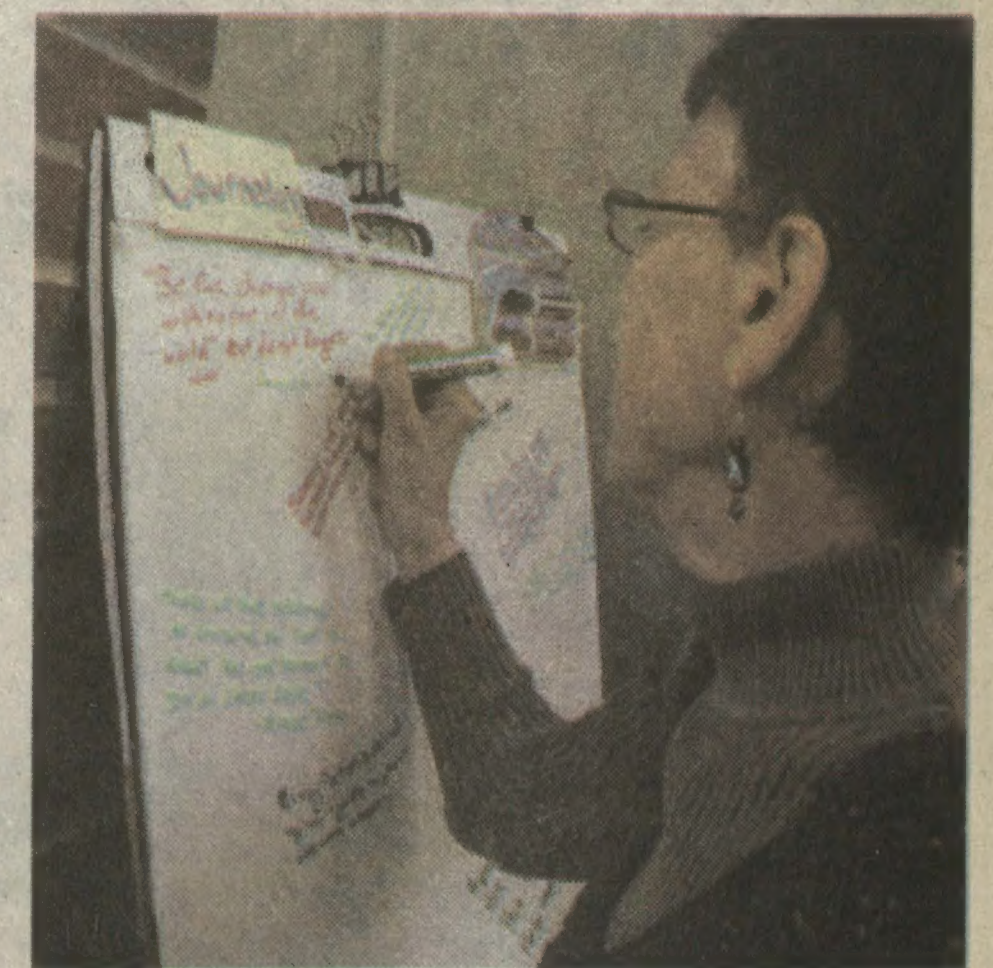


photo by Michelle Bishop

English professor, Carol Dillon, leaves a message of hope at the journaling station during Monday's 9/11 memorial event at the UNO bell tower.

to happen."

Swan said remembering this day is important because "it changed a lot of people's attitudes, beliefs, feelings and values all across the nation. It's important to look back and say this is how this affected us."

When asked why UNO students should honor the day that terrorists hijacked planes in our country, Swan responded, "It's a part of their generation. It's a part of their past. It's important to look back and say 'How am I a different person, or what more can I do to be hopeful and helpful for my country.'"

Jennifer Walsky, a junior at UNO, remembers "all the selfless workers that dropped everything to go and help, many of which lost their lives or got sick

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Karnes: Stay D-II, join MIAA

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

UNO should remain in Division II and immediately pursue an affiliation with the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, former Sen. David Karnes told the Board of Regents last Friday.

Delivering his committee's preliminary report on the UNO athletic department, Karnes said that the MIAA represented the most geographically and economically feasible alternative for the future of Maverick sports.

"It's a conference logistically makes sense to us, travel-wise," said Karnes. "Omaha is the largest community of any of the communities where these institutions are situated, so we believe it would create opportunities for people to come to Omaha and bring their dollars."

While they believe joining the MIAA would be in UNO's best short-term interest, the committee left the door open for a possible move up in years to come.

They recommended that the athletic department continue to assess and monitor Division II changes in stability and regularly update a strategic plan for divisional and conference alignment. They also said that UNO should continue to vote in favor of allowing two teams in a Division II program to play up a level instead of the current one-team NCAA rule.

Before moving other sports to Division I, though, Karnes said that UNO should concentrate on making its existing Division I hockey program a successful one.

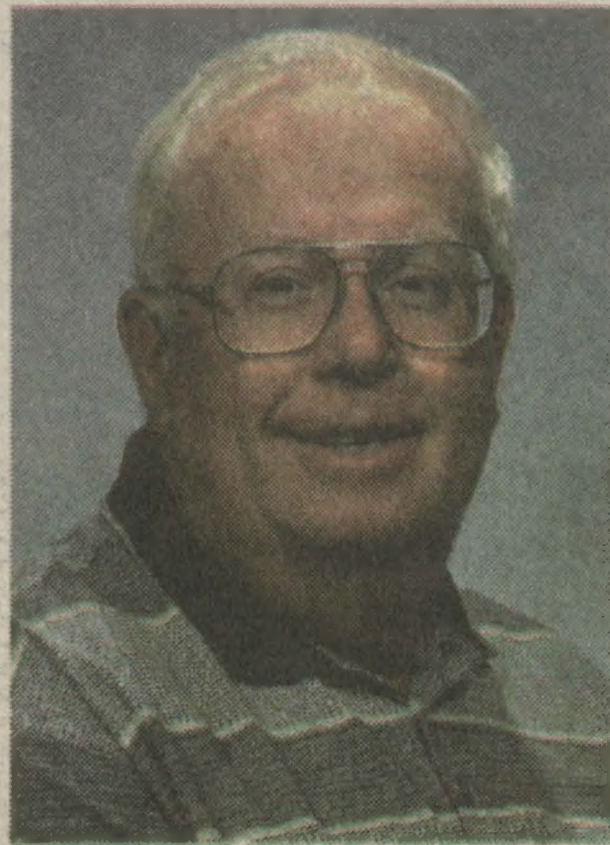
Athletic Director David Herbster said that while the recommendations would certainly not please everyone, he believed the committee was looking for the best immediate route the school could take.

"Obviously, with our financial situation, it doesn't make a lot of sense to try to go

Golf team swings into seventh place at Drury Invitational

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

Junior Lynn Mulligan carded a two-over-par 74 Tuesday to lead the Maverick golf team to a tie for seventh place in the Drury University Invitational Golf Tournament at Rivercut Golf Course. As a team, UNO shot 312 on the second day of the tournament, following a first-round 323 to finish at 635 on the 5,823-yard, par-72 course.



Tim Nelson

Redlands Community College had a combined team score of 611 to win the event.

Overall, Coach Tim Nelson was pleased with his team's opening performance.

"I'm really enthused about

the kids. They're playing well," he said. "We've got some good freshmen. We've got good, experienced kids playing. We should be doing pretty well."

Mulligan's 36-hole total of 155 was good enough to earn a tie for 12th place in the individual standings. Junior Lindsay Newton ended one stroke behind her at 156 to tie for 15th place.

"Honestly, I just think [Mulligan's] game was just pretty solid all around. She drove the ball well, over two rounds she made five birdies," Nelson said. "It was a good round for her."

The tournament, which featured a total of 20 teams coming from all four regions of Division II, presented a good opportunity for the team to work out some early season jitters and work into some new roles.

"There were some nerves starting out the season, some of the juniors now had to step up a little bit," said Nelson. "I know a couple of them said they were nervous."

Above all, it gave the Mavericks, who normally play in tournaments with seven to eight teams, a chance to gauge themselves against a broader range of competition, allowing them to root out areas for improvement.

"[It] was really kind of fun because we got to play against people who we usually don't play against," said Nelson. "It gives us an idea of where we are."

The UNO golf team will return to the links Saturday and Sunday in the Concordia-St. Paul Invitational at The Jewel Golf Course in Lake City, Minn.



Lynn Mulligan

CAMPUS INTRAMURAL UPDATE



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Sig Ep 6 vs Wrestlers 7
Pike A 24 vs Blazers 6
The Shockers 20 vs Lambda Chi 0
Sig Ep B1 12 vs Scottish 6
Pike B 8 vs Pike Pledge 12
The X Factor 16 vs Sig Ep B2 35

September 7th

Alpha Xi Delta 24 vs Sigma Kappa 0
Chi Omega 25 vs Zeta Tau Alpha 0

September 10th

Non Sequitar 6 vs Mike Hunt 8
Donkey Punchers 7 vs Off Often 2
The Pain Train 0 vs Thunder 24
The Wolfpack forfeit vs That Team

September 10th (cont.)

The Crew vs Shannon forfeit
Highlanders 0 vs Fresh Princess 35
Hustlers vs McNasties forfeit
Spam 6 vs Team Ramrod 18
Floor Generals 20 vs Last Word 6
Snakes 21 vs The Balls 6
7 Clouds 28 vs The Bears 0
Asian Pride vs Crashers forfeit
Dazed 13 vs Down 9
Team Jackass forfeit vs Floor Generals
Pink Zebras 6 vs Spam 14

September 6th Volleyball

Ballers vs Pacific out
Soft & Dry 2 vs Gunners 0

September 10th

Team Jackass 2-0 vs Pink Fuzzy Fierbils
Red Scorpions vs Le Tigre forfeit
Team Bonesaw vs The Usuals forfeit
Lugnuts forfeit vs Thunder
Fall Ballers vs Dazed forfeit
624 0-2 vs Thunder 2-0
The Killers 2-0 vs Volleybabes 0-2
Reknobs - Bye

September 11th Basketball

Triple Threat forfeit vs Party Animals
Runnin Rabbits 2-0 vs Party Animals
Triple Threat forfeit vs Runnin Rabbits
Zalensky 1-2 vs That Team 2-1
Rain Makers 2-0 vs The Slackers 0-2
Rain Drops 0-2 vs The Big W 2-0
Legos 2-1 vs Basketball Players 1-2

Intramurals have special events coming up. Please come join in the fun! It's for all students/faculty/staff with UNO ID or UNO activity/alumni pass.

Golf Tournament: Friday, September 22, Elmwood Park. Tee time: 3:00pm. 9 holes \$17.50 with cart. Register and pay in HPER 205 by September 20th.

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Early years of R.E.M. chronicled on comprehensive two-disc release



REVIEW BY
CHARLEY REED
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Most of those who grew up during R.E.M.'s greatest commercial successes only remember songs like "Losing My Religion," "Everybody Hurts" or "Shiny Happy People," all of which were released after 1990. However, some people might also remember hits like "The One I Love" or "It's the End of the World As We Know It" which came out in 1987.

But even then, not many would recognize "Radio Free Europe," R.E.M.'s first radio single which first hit the airwaves in 1981, a decade before 1991's *Out of Time* would mark the band's first album to hit number

one on the Billboard charts.

In those ten years is the story of Michael Stipe, Bill Barry, Peter Buck and Mike Mills moving up from University of Georgia dropouts to one of the most prolific rock bands of the last 25 years.

Now, 23 years and six months to the day of the release of their first album on I.R.S. Records, their new label, Capitol Records, has released *R.E.M., The Best of the I.R.S. Years, 1982 - 1987... and I Feel Fine*, a 42-track, two-disc retrospective of the band

from the members themselves. But this isn't just your typical anthology of songs; in fact, it could very well be one of the best-executed and most personal compilation discs to be released in quite some time.

In the interest of honesty, I must confess that I am not well-versed on all that is R.E.M. I was too young when the band hit it big to appreciate them and by the time I could they were mere shadows of their former selves. However, thanks to this release, I am hooked and I can't stop listening, exploring and finding out new ways to interpret music.

Starting with the first disc, this release is exactly what it says it is, the best of the best of R.E.M. back before

Out of Time, *Automatic for the People* or *Monster*; before the alternative musical explosion; and even before Michael Stipe shaved his head.

This disc includes cuts from their debut EP, *Chronic Town*, to their first major success in *Murmur* and their last album under I.R.S., *Document*. The disc takes on some of the band's biggest hits like the aforementioned "Radio Free Europe" and "The One I Love" as well as fan favorites like "So. Central Rain (I'm Sorry)" and "Talk about Passion" all in crisp, fully restored audio.

But the story of this album and the band it honors isn't in the first disc, it's on the 21 tracks of the second disc. These cuts include live recordings, tracks that made the original cutting room floor and personal picks from each of the band members.

Some examples include an acoustic version of the chilling "Swan Song H" and "Sitting Still," an early recording from 1981 when the band was experimenting with musical textures that would eventually become their staple. Other gems include the previously unreleased tracks like the upbeat but jarring "Hyena," a recording session demo, and a live version of the fast-paced "1,000,000."

Now, I understand that many R.E.M. fans probably have a majority of these songs already, but the reason this release is a necessity is the commentary from the band for each of the 21 songs in the CD's booklet.

Here listeners get a rare peek in to the band members' lives and their thoughts on what the songs mean to each of them.

If you've ever wondered what the band's favorite song to perform live is ("Life and How to Live It") or why one of the band's most recognizable hits doesn't include Michael Stipe (he hated the idea of covering of the Clique's "Superman"), this album answers those questions and much, much more.

For me, *The Best of the I.R.S. Years*, is reason enough to be thankful that they haven't done away with the compact disc like many have suggested. Everything about this album, from the packaging to the CD booklet to the careful selection of songs, show that the quality final product was important to the band.

This is not just a collection of songs or even a collection of stories. This is a reflection on the emergence and acculturation of a group of talented musicians who would become staples in the music scene.

The time and care that went into this release make it stand alone as the premiere "special edition DVD" of rock albums. This is one for the casual fan as well as the experienced musicologist. It has more than enough goodies to keep listeners coming back for more.

At least, I know I will be.

Grade: A-

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From **KARNES:** Page 5

Division I when we're in a hole right now and trying to struggle to be a vibrant Division II school," Herbster said.

Though he declined to comment on the committee's findings, football Coach Pat Behrns expressed a similar sentiment concerning the athletic department's financial problems.

"If we don't get our budget squared away over here in the athletic department, it's going to make no difference where we go and what level that we play at because it isn't going to work," said Behrns.

The need to review UNO's status as a member of the North Central Conference arose from the announcement in June that two other NCC schools were either making the jump to Division I or at least studying it. Karnes said that means UNO has to make a decision quickly.

"That conference, in the

committee's view, will no longer be a viable conference within two years, so these types of decisions are critical to make at this point in time."

Despite the lure of big money that Division I programs pay to play their smaller counterparts, and the possibility that an upset like Montana State over Colorado two weeks ago would put a program on the national radar, Karnes said what is most important is that UNO remain competitive.

"The fact of life is that we'd never be competing for national championships, all we'd be doing is competing for conference championships," Karnes said. "Right now, UNO's wrestling team, the soccer team, the volleyball team; these are teams that these kids can win national championships. And that's the type of student-athlete that we're attracting."

From **CHRISTENSEN:** Page 1

was scheduled to give a "state of the university" address and he took the opportunity to outline his goals as interim chancellor.

"In terms of my personal agenda, I think we have a lot of things out on the table right now that need to be carried forward. Housing is an example of that," he said. "The discussions about opportunities and challenges south of Pacific and south of Center; those are, I think, critically important discussions for this community and for this institution."

Christensen visited many issues impacting UNO. He said Nebraska "sucks" when it comes to need-based financial aid, questioning the impact missing dollars would have on student persistence and graduation rates.

Christensen also addressed faculty concern over state support for NU.

"If your point is that we need more dough, then I agree with you. We need help," he said. "I think everyone is concerned about the support of public institutions."

From **9/11:** Page 4

from all the debris inhalation." Walsky also noted that "many people put aside their differences and were brought together in the face of tragedy."

Even though the events of Sept. 11 shook the world and changed the way Americans view their sense of safety, out of all this rubble comes a glimmer of hope. After five years of grief, people are starting to look back on the attacks as something that should be remembered

and honored. The generation of UNO students that witnessed this atrocity will be able to pass on the lessons that they learned to their children so that Sept. 11, 2001, will never be forgotten, even if the scar fades.

Those interested in participating in the organization of next year's memorial service should contact Stacy Swan at (402) 578 - 4177.

Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Lean-to
 - 6 Corrida cheer
 - 9 Man from Manila or Manchuria
 - 14 Chocolate tree
 - 15 Go a few rounds
 - 16 Deep ravine
 - 17 Scene of action
 - 18 Maid of Orleans
 - 20 Ability to recover quickly
 - 22 Deck timber
 - 23 Drugbuster
 - 24 "___ brillig..."
 - 26 Carrying a grudge
 - 29 ___ in the cards
 - 31 Nation on the Baltic Sea
 - 35 Status ___
 - 36 By means of
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 - 41 Actor Kilmer
 - 42 Great ___ Lake
 - 43 Notions
 - 44 Conductor Leinsdorf
 - 46 Silent yes
 - 47 Put on
 - 49 Baton Rouge sch.
 - 50 Reddish-brown horses
 - 51 Whip handle
 - 53 Thicket unit
 - 55 Verve
 - 58 Annual international award
 - 63 Special case
 - 65 Scatter
 - 66 Proclaim loudly
 - 67 Compass dir.
 - 68 Midwest hub
 - 69 Quartet member
 - 70 Tycoon Turner
 - 71 Landed estate

- DOWN
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 - 3 Hot shots
 - 4 Pointed tooth
 - 5 Eucalyptus lover

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